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Use of Compounds Which Activate A 5-HT

Receptor To Treat Urinary Incontinence

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## PRELIMINARY COMMUNICATION

A Final Office Action was issued in connection with U.S. Serial No. 09/450,880 on December 21, 2001. On April 22, 2002 applicant filed an Amendment In Response To December 21, 2001 Final Office Action and Petition For A One Month Extension Of Time. On June 3, 2002, the Examiner to whom the subject application is assigned issued an Advisory Action indicating that the proposed amendment will not be entered because it raises new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. A Notice of Appeal and Petition For An Additional Two Months Extension Of Time were filed on June 21, 2002. An Appeal Brief is due August 21, 2002. Accordingly, this Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) is being timely filed.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

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No fee, other than the enclosed \$812.00 filing fee, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Communication. However, if an additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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